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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR POLITICAL ASYLUM

REF: CANBERRA 5075

1. 2 FAM 227-229 IS THE LATEST STATEMENT OF USG REFUGEE POLICY AND GUIDELINES. AS A SIGNATORY TO THE UNITED NATIONS PROTOCOL RELATING TO THE STATUS OF REFUGEES, WHICH INCORPORATES THE SUBSTANTIVE PROVISIONS OF THE U.N. CONVENTION RELATING TO THE STATUS OF REFUGEES, WE ARE GUIDED BY THE CONVENTION'S DEFINITION OF REFUGEES AS "PERSONS WHO ARE OUTSIDE OF AN UNWILLING TO RETURN TO THE RESPECTIVE COUNTRIES OF NATIONALITY OR HABITUAL RESIDENCE DUE TO WELL-FOUNDED FEAR OF BEING PERSECUTED..."

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2. RE CASES INVOLVING ASYLUM REQUESTS OF PERSONS LOCATED IN A THIRD COUNTRY, WE HAVE CONSISTENTLY HELD THAT ASYLUM IS THE RIGHT AND RESPONSIBILITY OF THE COUNTRY WHERE THE REQUEST IS MADE. IN GENERAL, OUR RESPONSE TO ASYLUM REQUESTS FROM PERSONS IN THIRD COUNTRIES WOULD BE TO REFER THE PERSON TO APPROPRIATE HOST GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES

WHENEVER POSSIBLE (AND AUSTRALIA IS A SIGNATORY TO THE PROTOCOL). IF THIS IS NOT FEASIBLE, THE ASYLUM SEEKER WOULD BE ADVISED TO SEEK ASSISTANCE FROM THE UN HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR REFUGEES (UNHCR).

3. DEPT CONCURS IN EMBASSY RECOMMENDATIONS THAT MR. AZURING'S REQUEST FOR ADMISSION INTO THE U.S. BE DENIED. PLEASE FURNISH AZURING'S COMPLETE DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH FOR VO RECORDS. VANCE

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